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**User Information Available for Frozen Head State Park Property  
*Park, Community, Stakeholders Helping to Shape Management Agreement***

NASHVILLE - Tennessee State Parks has worked with local community officials and stakeholder groups to complete user information for the 8,000-acre Emory River area. The Emory River area was acquired in late 2007 as part of the successful 127,000 acre "Connecting the Cumberland" conservation initiative, and became part of Frozen Head State Park and Natural Area in Morgan County.

"We're pleased so many people who love this land were able to come together and work with us to develop an agreement that both protects natural resources and allows for a variety of recreational uses," said Frozen Head State Park Manager David Engebretson.

User information about the property has been compiled for the public in a "Frequently Asked Questions" format. A link to this information can be found on the Frozen Head State Park Web page at [www.tnstateparks.com/FrozenHead](http://www.tnstateparks.com/FrozenHead).

Tennessee State Parks continues to work with local community officials and stakeholders to finalize an interim management agreement focused on safety and stewardship, while also balancing recreational interests. The Emory River serves as a divide between different land management practices in the Emory River Valley. Lands east of the river will be managed as a traditional state park. Lands west of the Emory River are protected by conservation easement, which allows sustainable timber harvesting and gas and oil exploration to continue. This helps protect both the land, and the local economies that rely on taxes collected from these businesses.

The Interim Management Agreement will be posted on the Tennessee State Parks Web site, once completed. In the meantime, visitors can find basic user information about the activities available at the property at the link listed above.

For more information about Frozen Head State Park and Natural Area, visit the Web site at [www.tnstateparks.com/FrozenHead](http://www.tnstateparks.com/FrozenHead) or call the park office at (423) 346-3318.

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